



Electric Holiday Parade **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2013 5PM**

It's time again for the brightest night for Downtown Westminster: The Electric Holiday parade, part of the Miracle on Main Street festivities! The parade will be held on Saturday, November 30 at 5pm. See rules for staging times and details. The City of Westminster will be taking applications for both traditional parade entries and electric entries. Traditional entries are the same great parade floats we've hosted on Main Street in conjunction with the City of Westminster's Annual Tree Lighting, electric entries are required to have at least 2000 holiday lights incorporated into the design. Electric entries may be themed for the holidays and/or represent local businesses and organizations from Westminster. Rules for all entries are enclosed.

Prizes awarded for creativity, best groups and other categories.

PLEASE INCLUDE THE SIGNED RELEASE AND INFEMNIFICATION FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 18.

YOUR ENTRY CANNOT HAVE A SANTA CLAUS OF ANY KIND ON IT!

Thank you for your interest in the
Miracle on Main Street Holiday Electric Parade!



Miracle On Main Street Holiday Parade

Rules and Regulations for Traditional and Electric Parade Entries

(See additional rules for Electric Entries)

The parade committee provides the following list of rules and regulations for the Westminster Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 30, 2013 at 5pm:

1. Parade formation will be on McDaniel College grounds at the Monroe Street entrance. Participants should enter from the West Main Street side. This will be posted.
2. Please follow instructions from the police officer on duty.
3. Only parade vehicles will be allowed beyond the drop off point. Parade vehicles should arrive between 3:45pm and 4:15pm. Walkers or riders must be dropped off and then walk to the formation area between 4:15pm and 4:45pm. Buses will not be allowed to enter the McDaniel College grounds.
4. The parade will leave the formation area promptly at 5:00 pm and move down Pennsylvania Avenue to Main Street to Longwell Avenue and end at East Middle School. Any group not ready to enter the formation when called upon will be moved to the rear of the parade.
5. It will be necessary for all groups to move forward as promptly as possible.
6. Animal units must provide manure clean up.
7. Floats must not exceed 12 feet tall by 8 feet wide.
8. No alcoholic beverages or illegal substances of any kind will be allowed in the staging area, in your entry or during the parade.
9. Driving in an unsafe or erratic manner will result in immediate ejection from the parade.
10. Windshields of vehicles must not be completely masked to obscure the vision of the driver.
11. All entries in the parade MUST be family friendly.
12. Entries will not be permitted to stop or perform on parade route.
13. No political entries accepted.

**NO SANTA CLAUS' OF ANY KIND ARE
PERMITTED IN THE PARADE**



Miracle On Main Street Holiday Parade **TRADITIONAL Application**

Name (group, organization)_____

Contact Person:_____

Address:_____

City:_____State:_____Zip:_____

Phone #1_____Phone #2_____

Email address:_____

Description of entry:_____

Signature:_____Date:_____

Traditional entry (please check one):

☐ Float-decorated with a theme

☐ Walking Unit-organized group (scouts, youth group, horses, dogs, etc.)

☐ Marching Unit-bands, majorettes

☐ Vehicles-antique or sports cars, fire engines, trucks, military vehicles, etc.)

Size of entry:

of vehicles_____

of people_____

Float: yes or no

Mail completed form to:

Miracle on Main Parade
c/o City of Westminster Recreation and Parks
11 Longwell Avenue
Westminster, MD 21157
Email: westminsterrec@westgov.com
410-848-9161



Miracle On Main Street Holiday Parade **ELECTRIC Application**

Name (group, organization)_____

Contact Person:_____

Address:_____

City:_____State:_____Zip:_____

Phone #1_____Phone #2_____

Email address:_____

Description of entry and main light color:_____

Signature:_____Date:_____

Traditional entry (please check one):

☐ Float

☐ Walking Unit

☐ Vehicles

Size of entry:

of vehicles_____ # of people_____ Float: yes or no

The parade committee reserves the right to limit the number/size of entries

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Additional Rules and Regulations for Electric Parade Entries

The parade committee provides the following list of additional rules and regulations for the Westminster Holiday Parade Electric entries on Saturday, November 30, 2013 at 5pm:

Float category:

1. Floats must not exceed 12 feet tall by 8 feet wide.
2. Floats can be pulled by a vehicle or moved by manpower. Manpower will be judged as a walking unit.
3. Each float must have at least 2,000 lights or 1,500 lights with spotlights not to exceed 1000 watts in total.
4. Music amplification may be used as long as approved by the parade organizers.
5. Edges of floats should be covered in some manner.
6. All wiring must be properly secured to prevent mechanical damage and injury to float riders.
7. All connections must be made with UL approved electrical boxes or devices.
8. Portable generators or compressors used on the float must be securely mounted on a vehicle or other substantial base. A minimum of 12 inches must separate any part of the generator/compressor from combustible fabrication material.
9. All floats will be subject to inspection by the parade committee.

For Walking Costumed Entries:

1. All costumes must be made of non-flammable materials or treated with a flame retardant chemical.
2. For optimum lighting, it is suggested that lights be placed one to two inches apart.
3. The size of the costume should be constructed so that the individual can safely control it and can easily walk the distance of the parade.

For Vehicles:

1. Each vehicle must have at least 2,000 lights or 1,500 lights with spotlights not to exceed 1000 watts in total.
2. Music amplification may be used as long as approved by parade organizers.

NO SANTA CLAUS' ARE ALLOWED TO BE USED IN ANY PARADE ENTRY IN ANY CATEGORY.



Miracle on Main Street RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION FORM

1. In consideration of the permission given to me, _____, by the City of Westminster Holiday Parade Committee ("Committee") to participate in the 2013 Westminster Miracle on Main Street Holiday Parade, I DO HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVE AND RELEASE ALL demands, damages, actions, causes of actions, suits and claims of any nature whatsoever, whether in law or equity, that I or my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, estate agents and assigns, and any other representatives which might otherwise have against the City of Westminster, Maryland, The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster, its officials, agents, employees, and the committee and its members thereof and therefor on account of any death or injuries, both to my person and/or to my property, whether foreseeable or not, which may occur, directly or indirectly, or develop at any time in the future as a result of my activities, association or participation in the 2013 Westminster Miracle on Main Street Holiday Parade.
2. I ALSO EXPRESSLY AGREE on behalf of myself, my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, estate agents and assigns, and any other representatives to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Westminster, Maryland, The Mayor and Common Council of Westminster, , its officials, agents, employees, and the committee and its members thereof and therefore on account of any and all right, claim or cause of actions existing or which possibly could arise at any time in the future as a direct or indirect result of my activities, association or participation on the 2013 Westminster Miracle on Main Street Holiday Parade.
3. I hereby declare that the terms of this RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION FORM have been fully read and understood by me, and freely and voluntarily entered into and accepted by me and I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of this RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION FORM.
4. I acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to obtain independent legal advice with respect to the execution of this Release and Waiver Form.

_____(SEAL)
Signature

Printed Name

Date